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In re Application of Simionescu, et al.	) Examiner: P. Kumar
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Serial No: 10/722,142	) Art Unit: 1751
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Filed: November 24, 2003	) Confirmation No: 4675
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For: Fixation Method for Bioprosthesis	) Deposit Account No: 04-1403
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 16, 2005, with regard to the above-captioned application, please find attached hereto:

**Amendments to the Claims** reflected in the complete listing of the Claims beginning on page 2, and

**Remarks** beginning on page 5.

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims 21 minus 46 = 0	X \$50 =	\$ 0.00	
Independent Claims 2 minus 5 = 0	x \$200 =	\$ 0.00	
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